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# Magnolia Elementary Mustang Newsteller



### **SCHOOL HOURS**

Grades PK-4	.7:55 AM – 3:15 PM
Front Doors Open	7:15 AM
<b>Breakfast Served</b>	.7:15 am – 7:50 AM
<b>Students Enter Class</b>	7:45 AM
Class Begins	7:55 AM

\*Students must be inside the building by 7:55 AM. Students entering the building after this time will be tardy. If a student is tardy, parents are required to park and come into the lobby to sign them in.

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Principal: Kristine Solberg Asst Principal: Veronica August

Counselor: Rosie Flores

Nurse: Chenita McFarland Secretary: Jessica Gonzalez Registrar: Shannan De La Fuente

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Receptionist: Esperanza Marines

Telephone: 281-727-1750 Fax: 281-692-1437

Mascot: Mustangs

Colors: Red, White, and Blue

### Magnolia Student Pledge

I pledge to do my best in reading, math, and all the rest.

I promise to obey the rules in my class and in this school. I'll respect myself and others, too.

I'll expect the best in all I do. I am here to learn all I can, to try my best to be all I am. Welcome to Magnolia Elementary and the 2024-2025 school year! We are excited to have you and your child(ren) as a part of our Mustang family. By working together, we will ensure that every student has a safe and successful year at Magnolia. We welcome you to visit our school, and we want you to contact us with any questions you may have.



### VISITORS & SAFETY

ALL visitors must check in with a current Driver's License and receive a Visitor Tag at the Front Office before going to any other areas of the building. The Visitor Tag must always be worn the entire time you are on campus.

Classroom visits will be permitted with the principal's and teacher's prior approval. Teacher conferences will need to be scheduled during the teacher's conference time.

We appreciate your time and understanding when you visit Magnolia and are required to show identification. The process takes only a few seconds and is well worth the safety of all our children.

### **TUESDAY FOLDERS**

Tuesday has been designated as the day that all student work, campus and district level information, and other important messages will be sent home. Please check and read over the material and sign and return all necessary items to school. Your prompt attention will be greatly appreciated.

### ATTENDANCE

School attendance is critical for the quality of your child's education. A child who misses a day of school misses a day of learning opportunities. Should it be necessary for your child to miss a day of school, you must submit your child's absence online @ pearlandisd.org/Page/26218 or send a written and signed note stating the reason for the child's absence within 3 days of the absence with the information listed below.

- · Student's first and last legal name
- ·Grade Level
- ·Student ID #
- ·Specific dates of the absence
- · Specific reason for the absence
- ·Parent signature

If a doctor's note is submitted, please make sure that it covers ALL days of the absence. If not, please send an accompanying parent note with the above-listed information. <u>Emails will no longer be accepted (other than through the district link.)</u>

Students are required to attend class 90% of the time it is offered to be able to receive credit and be promoted to the next grade level. All absences, regardless of excused or unexcused, including leaving early and coming in late, count towards the 90% rule.

Please help make your child's education a top priority by building a habit of daily attendance.

### STUDENT BIRTHDAYS

Your child may bring in store bought birthday treats for the class to celebrate their birthday. Birthday treats will be shared with your child's class either at recess or at the end of the school day. Your child's teacher will communicate when they prefer to celebrate birthdays. Teachers appreciate it when parents send in treats that are single servings (cupcakes, cookies, donuts, etc...) because they are easier to distribute.

Birthday invitations may be sent home from school if every student in the class (or every boy/girl) is receiving an invitation.

At Magnolia, we use PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support) to teach and encourage students to be SAFE, RESPECTFUL, & RESPONSIBLE in all areas of the school. At the beginning of the school year, teachers and students discuss what this looks like in each area of the school.

Teachers and staff award individuals and classes with positive sticks or Classdojo points for being safe, respectful, and/or responsible. Each time classes earn 100 sticks/points, their class receives a reward.

### **CAFETERIA INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES**



Breakfast\$1.45 (\$0.00 Reduced) Lunch\$2.50 (\$0.40 Reduced)



- Money can be easily added to your child's account for additional items they wish to purchase at <a href="https://www.schoolcafe.com">www.schoolcafe.com</a>.
- We welcome lunch visitors at Magnolia beginning Tuesday, September 5th. (We are closed to lunch visitors the first few weeks of school. This time is used for teaching routines, procedures, and expectations for the cafeteria.)
  - All visitors will check in at the front reception desk with a photo ID.
  - We suggest that you arrive early to ensure that you are ready at your child's lunch time.
  - Visitors are welcome to bring in lunch for themselves and their Magnolia Mustang, however students can still purchase a meal from the cafeteria when they have guests. If a cafeteria lunch is needed, the student will get their lunch from the cafeteria line and meet their lunch guest at the center table in the cafeteria.
  - We ask that lunch visitors refrain from having additional students to join them.
  - Please say your goodbyes in the cafeteria at the end of your child's lunch time. Visitors should not walk back to the classroom with the class but should report directly to the front office to check out.
  - Closed Campus Days: There will be a limited number of days when we will be closed to lunch visitors due to testing, etc...These days will be communicated well in advance through the Mustang Newsletter.
  - If you are dropping off a lunch for your child, please make sure you have it here early so that we have time to get the lunch to your child.

### **ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL INFORMATION**

**CAR RIDERS** – All parents will need a car rider placard to pick up any student from our line. You must display a car placard for student pick up. Students will be called to their cars during dismissal using their name/grade. Car riders are defined as children whose parents remain in the car throughout the drop off and pick-up procedures. Please do not park or drop off from the parking lot. Car traffic is heavy and unpredictable at dismissal time, making it very unsafe.

- Car Rider Arrival Car riders can be dropped off in the front driveway beginning at 7:15 a.m. Please do not drop off students earlier than 7:15 a.m. because there will be no supervision for your child before this time. We have a lot of car riders at Magnolia. To avoid long lines, we recommend arriving prior to 7:30. In an effort to speed up the line, we ask that you pull all the way forward to the end of the covered awning to enable several cars unload at once.
- Car Rider Dismissal Car rider dismissal will be in the front driveway. Beginning the 2nd day of school, a car rider placard must be shown to the staff member calling names. Cars that do not have the Magnolia placard will need to park and report to the front office to get your placard with your ID. Please leave placard visible until student is in the vehicle. ALL STUDENTS WILL BE LOADED FROM THE CURBSIDE.

WALKERS & BIKER RIDERS – Walkers and bike riders are defined as children who walk/ride their bikes to and from school property and home. Walkers and bike riders are to stay on the sidewalks at all times and should only cross the street where a crossing guard is located. Parents should not park across the street from the school and have students walk to the cars. All walkers and bike riders will be required to have a Walker Acknowledgement signed and on file with the school.

- Walker/Bike Rider Arrival Students eating breakfast should arrive between 7:15 and 7:45 a.m. Bike riders are encouraged to lock up their bikes to the bike rack.
- Walker/Bike Rider Dismissal Students will be escorted to the marquee in the front of the school. Staff members will dismiss students to parents and ensure they cross driveways safely. Pre-K and Kindergarten students will not be allowed to walk or bike by him/herself and will be escorted back to the campus if no adult is there to meet them. If you want your Kindergarten student to go with an older sibling, you must request in writing to Ms. Marines, our receptionist.

BUS TRANSPORTATION - The opportunity to ride a Pearland ISD school bus is a privilege and certain expectations for appropriate conduct have been established to ensure the safety of all the students. Parents will be notified of any student who does not follow the bus rules. Arrival for school and day care buses drop off students in the back of the building. Students enter through the main doors beside the cafeteria. For Dismissal students will be escorted to the bus loading area and seated according to bus numbers. Students will be escorted to buses by staff members. Pre-K and Kindergarten students will not be released from the bus without an adult with the 4 digit passcode is present at the bus stop; and will be returned to the campus to contact a parent or guardian. Bus riders must be pre-approved by Transportation services before riding the bus.

### CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION

It is extremely important to our staff that all students are dismissed safely every day. Frequently changing modes of dismissal transportation can cause confusion for children. Emergency situations do arise which may require a change in how students go home. If there is a change in how your child will go home, please notify the front office (receptionist) at 281-727-1750 no later than 2:15pm. Students dismissal transportation will not be changed after 2:15pm unless approved by an administrator.

#### **EARLY PICK-UP**

To ensure a smooth and organized dismissal, parents who need to pick up their child up early for an afterschool doctor's appointment, etc., should do so by 2:30p.m. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### PICKING UP STUDENTS

If someone other than the parent will be picking up your child, the person's name must be listed in Skyward as family member or emergency contact. The person designated to pick up your child must be prepared to show appropriate identification to school officials.

## IMPORTANT DATES









